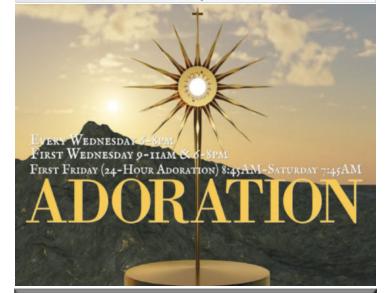


PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

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Sun, May 11 5:30 pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER † Deceased Mothers of the Cruz & Hilgeman Families
(Vigil)	
8:00 am	<i>Sp Int</i> Cecilia Jones; <i>Sp Int</i> Victoria Oxe
11:00 am	For the People of the Parish
5:30 pm	Vocational Discernment
Mon, May 12	Easter Weekday; Saints Nereus
	and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint
	Pancras, Martyr
8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Tue, May 13	Easter Weekday; Our Lady of
	Fatima
8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Wed, May 14	SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE
8:00 am	
Thu, May 15	Easter Weekday; Saint Isidore
8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Fri, May 16	•
8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
Sat, May 17	Easter Weekday
8:00 am	Mother's Day Novena



FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

May 11 Mother's Day

No event in the Parish Center. Celebrate all the mothers in your life today! Info on our special Novena of Masses for Mothers can be found on pg. 5.

May 18 Knights Sunday

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Frances Cabrini Council 8879 The Knights will be serving donuts along with

coffee, tea, juice, and milk! The proceeds will support local charities.

May 25 Bread Sunday

Sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club More info on the types of bread available and how to order can be found on pg. 4.

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

elcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the

celebration of the Eucharist. If you have been away

from the Church for a little while or for quite some time, but now feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church, welcome home! If you feel drawn to the



Catholic Church yet come from another faith tradition or have no faith experience at all - we are glad you are here!

The Catholic Church has been teaching truth since she was founded by Christ over 2,000 years ago. We offer

ministries and service groups that help you to build friendships and serve our parish along with the greater community. We also offer life-long learning through our many faith formation opportunities for children and adults.

For baptized Catholics needing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation please contact Deacon John Sawaya at: jsawaya@olg-church.org. For those interested in joining the Catholic Church, please also contact Deacon John Sawaya. You can also contact him by using the "Contact us" link at <u>olg-church.org</u>.

Allergies

The first morning Mass of a holy day will always be incense-free.

Mindfulness of Others

Please silence all devices and refrain from using them during the liturgy to avoid distracting those around you.

READINGS FOR MAY 11 - MAY 18

Sun: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Mon: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tue: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

- Wed: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
- Thu: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
- **Fri:** Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
- **Sat:** Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
- Sun: Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Fourth Sunday of Easter

GROW: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them. and they follow me." The spiritual riches contained in this line alone are enough to sustain us for a lifetime. First, we rejoice that Jesus, the Good Shepherd, calls us his own. We belong to him who, like the shepherds of bygone days, protects his sheep - capable of little in the way of selfdefense - even at the cost of his own life. Also, among the distinctive marks of Jesus' sheep are that they hear his voice and follow him. Thus, to be part of Christ's flock involves not only being known by him, but knowing him and heeding his call. A sheep who has not attuned its ears to the voice of its shepherd is a lost sheep! Although the world's fertile meadows may look inviting, not to attune our ears to the voice of Christ means exposing ourselves to the

dangers of a life apart from God. On the other hand, if we make our pilgrimage of life with him, we abide within the protective confines of his love until the day we follow him into the pastures of eternal life.

GO: Frequently, our free will (something we do not share with sheep) gets in the

way of our ability to heed obedience to his Father's the Shepherd's voice. For us, his voice is expressed in concrete ways: in his commandments, in the teachings and tradition of his Church, in the Scriptures, in our legitimate superiors, and in prayer. These are the means he uses to mark out the path he wishes us to follow. But this path always involves the cross, and our sheep-ish (pun intended) nature recoils at the sight of suffering. In today's second reading, however, St. John's vision offers the key to overcoming

our resistance: "For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them." In other words, Jesus, our

> Divine Shepherd, is also a lamb who has tread the difficult way of the cross. He is the Lamb of God who offered himself in a sacrifice of perfect

will. Thus, we do not embark along the way of obedience and suffering alone: Jesus walks before us to sustain and protect us along the way.

OBSERVE: Find an image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd online and spend 15 minutes praying about what you see. What is the Shepherd's attitude toward his sheep, and the sheep's attitude toward their Shepherd? What do we learn from this about our relationship with Christ?

ACT OF ENTRUSTMENT TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA Teast: May 13

Dear Lady of Fatima, Mother of all individuals and peoples, you know all their sufferings and hopes. In your motherly heart you feel all the struggles between good and evil, between light and darkness, that convulse the world: accept the plea which we make in the Holy Spirit directly to your heart, and embrace with the love of the Mother and Handmaid of the Lord those who most await this embrace, and also those whose act of entrustment you too await in a particular way. Take under your motherly protection the whole human family, which with affectionate love we entrust to you, O Mother. May there dawn for everyone the time of peace and freedom, the time of truth, of justice and of hope. Amen.

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH Founded 1954 **CLERGY**

> PASTOR Rev. Lauro Minimo

ASSOCIATE PASTOR Rev. Marc Gandolfo

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE Rev. Celsius Offor, CH, LT, USN

DEACON Dcn. John Sawaya

SCHEDULE of MASSES

SUNDAY VIGIL (Saturday) 5:30 pm

SUNDAY 8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

MONDAY-SATURDAY 8:00 am Holy days and holidays *listed separately in bulletin.*

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 pm. Preparation packet is available in the parish office.

ORDER of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS Contact Dcn. John Sawaya (858) 869-5079.

HOLY MATRIMONY Marriage preparation begins nine months in advance. Please contact Fr. Lauro Minimo. Fr. Marc Gandolfo or Dcn. John Sawaya.

> **PENANCE AND** RECONCILIATION Monday 6:00 pm Wednesday 8:45 am Saturday 4:00 pm or by appointment.

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The types of bread available are: Cranberry Walnut, Guinness Bread, Irish Soda, Yeast bread, Sprouted Quinoa Bread, Italian Herb, and Jalapeño Cheddar. Donuts, muffins, coffee, juice, lox and bagels will also be available. Order forms are available on the information table in the front of the Church.



Vacation Bible School June 23-27 - 9AM-Noon Participant Registration Deadline for registration is May 25, 2025 or 100 participants, whichever comes first! VBS needs at least 50 participants signed up by April 20, 2025, to move forward **\$90 REGISTRATION FEE PER CHILD** >> iii << CATHOLIC NIGHT FRIDAY, JULY 11 | PHILLIES vs PADRES | 6:40PM Come together with the San Diego Catholic community and the Padres for Catholic Night at Petco Park. Your Catholic Night Theme Game Package includes a limited-edition themed hat and a ticket to the Phillies vs. Padres game. SECTION PRICE Upper Infield \$45.00 **RF Upper Reserved** \$40.0 TO PURCHASE TICKETS PLEASE VISIT PADRES.COM/THEMEGAMES For more information, please contact Derek Pharis at 619.795.5328 or dpharis@padres.com OUR LADY# FULL OF GRACE Pray for us

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RSVP Tickets: \$25

Come and join in the fun! If you've never played, here's your chance to learn. It's fun, easy and does not require any special skills! We will be serving box lunch with sandwhiches and salads! Snacks, desserts and drinks are included. Several great door prizes (Gift Cards!) to win!

> To RSVP, contact Alice @ (610)248-0130 or hermalice.freeh@gmail.com



trained as altar servers. Altar Servers have the privilege of assisting the priest in the

sanctuary during the Mass and other liturgical functions. If you are interested, please contact Rosa at:

contact Rosa at: rhilgeman@olg-church.org or call the parish office at: (619) 469-0133.

*Altar Serving counts for service hours.

May Crowning

Happy month of May, our Blessed Mother Mary's special month! From the early days of the Church, images of Mary have been crowned during the month of May as a sign of our love and devotion to the Mother of God. Join our OLG Students as they offer prayers, songs, and a crown of flowers to Our Lady on May 20 at 12:30pm in the Church. Take this time to gather as a community under the loving mantle of our patroness, Our Lady of Grace. Join us in offering our love to the most perfect of all Mothers.

Mother's Day Novena Cards

A special Mother's Day Novena will be offered at OLG for all mothers, living and deceased, on **May 12-17 & May 19-21**. Mass cards are available on the information table at the entrance of the Church. Completed envelopes may be returned to the Parish by way of the collection basket, US Mail, or dropped off at the Parish Office. The best gift you can give your mother is your loving prayers!

*Mass cards must be submitted by Friday, May 9.

A Prayer for Mothers

Dear Mother Mary, bring me to Jesus. Ask Him to watch over me with care. Allow me to experience the tender love of your maternal and Immaculate Heart, the fierceness and courageous protection of a mother who will never abandon her child, and the gentleness of your sweet kiss upon my forehead as you lay me down to sleep. Amen.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT		
April 22, 2025 - April 28, 2025	\$15,850.73	
Plate	\$2,665.63	
Envelopes	\$8,786.30	
Online Giving	\$4,398.80	
Breakdown of Gifts Received		
\$0.01 - \$5.00	48	
\$5.01 - \$10.00	41	

Total Contributing Households	328
\$500.01 - Over	1
\$150.01 - \$500.00	12
\$100.01 - \$150.00	7
\$50.01 - \$100.00	28
\$25.01 - \$50.00	75
\$10.01 - \$25.00	116

Annual Lenten Appeal	\$1,308.00
Building Fund	\$617.50
Easter Sunday	\$1,083.25
Food Pantry	\$731.00



When you donate at our blood drive this May, you'll receive a coupon for a complimentary Soapy Joe's 'Magic Joe' car wash, valued at \$25. Support our community's health and save lives — give a little, shine a lot!

Join our blood drive, hosted by:

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church Sunday, May 25, 2025 09:00 AM to 02:00 PM

Parish Center

2766 Navajo Rd El Cajon, CA 92020

Schedule an appointment today!



Visit sandiegobloodbank.org/donate, scan QR code or call (619) 400-8251. Walk-ins welcome



Please be advised that Fr. Lauro, Fr. Marc, or anyone else from our parish staff will never send out e-mails, text messages or Flocknotes requesting any form of monetary assistance such as cash, Amazon, iTunes, gift cards etc. If you receive such suspicious e-mails, please delete or disregard.



Please pray for those who have requested prayer and for the special intentions written in the Book of Intentions in the Baptistry of our Church.

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Names will remain listed in the bulletin for **4 weeks**. If you would like to add a name to the list, or have names removed/ renewed, please contact Jocelyn Ayala at: **jayala@olg-church.org**.

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